

AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP DEPARTMENT[21]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 189A.7(8), the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 76, “Meat and Poultry Inspection,” Iowa Administrative Code.

This proposed amendment updates references to federal regulations in order to retain recognition of the state meat and poultry program.

Any interested person may make written comments or suggestions on the proposed amendment on or before November 29, 2016. Written comments should be sent to Margaret Thomson, Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Wallace State Office Building, 502 East Ninth Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319; or faxed to (515)281-6236. E-mail comments may be sent to Margaret.Thomson@IowaAgriculture.gov.

No waiver provision is included in the proposed amendment; however, the Department’s general waiver rule would apply.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no adverse impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 159.5(8) and chapter 189A.

The following amendment is proposed.

Amend rule 21—76.2(189A) as follows:

21—76.2(189A) Federal Wholesome Meat Act regulations adopted. Part 303, Part 304, Part 305, Part 306, Parts 308 through 320, Part 329, Part 412, Part 416, Part 417, Part 418, Part 424, Part 430, Part 441 and Part 442 of Title 9, Chapter III, of the Code of Federal Regulations, revised as of January 1, ~~2016~~ 2017, are hereby adopted in their entirety by reference. Part 307 except Sections 307.5 and 307.6 and Part 325 except Sections 325.3 and 325.12 of Title 9, Chapter III, of the Code of Federal Regulations, revised as of January 1, 2016, are hereby adopted in their entirety by reference. Part 500 of Title 9, Chapter III, of the Code of Federal Regulations, revised as of January 1, 2016, is adopted by reference, except that references in Sections 500.5, 500.6, 500.7, and 500.8 to the federal Uniform Rules of Practice are not adopted.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 189A.3 and 189A.7(8).